

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 27

PART V

TRAFFIC SIGNS

General provisions

Powers and duties of highway authorities as to placing of traffic signs.

- (1) Subject to and in conformity with such general directions as may be given by the Ministers acting jointly, or such other directions as may be given by the Secretary of State, [FIa highway][FIthe roads] authority may cause or permit traffic signs to be placed on or near any road in their area.
- (2) The Secretary of State may give directions to a [F2highway][F2local roads] authority—
 - (a) for the placing of a traffic sign of any prescribed type or authorised character specified in the directions, or
 - (b) for replacing a sign so specified by, or converting it into, a sign of another prescribed type or authorised character so specified.
- (3) The power to give general directions under subsection (1) above shall be exercisable by statutory instrument.

[F3(3A) No charge may be made—

- (a) in England and Wales, by a highway authority which is the council of a county, metropolitan district or London borough or the Common Council of the City of London, or
- (b) in Scotland, by a local roads authority,
- with respect to the exercise of their power under subsection (1) above to permit a traffic sign to be placed on or near any road in their area if—
 - (i) the sign conveys information of a temporary nature or is otherwise intended to be placed only temporarily; and

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- (ii) the sign is to be placed by a body which is prescribed for the purposes of this subsection as being a body appearing to the Secretary of State to be representative of the interests of road users or any class of road users.]
- (4) In this section—

"authorised character" means a character authorised by the Secretary of State; and

"prescribed type" means a type prescribed by regulations made under section 64(1)(a) of this Act.

Textual Amendments

- F1 Words "the roads" substituted (S.) for words "a highway" by Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 (c. 54, SIF 108), s. 128(1), Sch. 9 para. 93(22)(a)
- F2 Words "local roads" substituted (S.) for words "highway" by Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 (c. 54, SIF 108), s. 128(1), Sch. 9 para. 93(22)(b)
- F3 S. 65(3A) inserted by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 153(1)(2)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 65: Certain functions transferred to the Secretary of State by S.I. 1986/315, art. 3(1) and by S.I. 1986/316, art. 3(1)

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